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December 8, 2006

TO: Each Supervisor

FROM: Jonathan E. Fielding, M.D. M.P.H. *in reply to*
Director and Health Officer

SUBJECT: **APPROVAL OF NOTICE OF COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT
NO. 5 U01 IP000020-03 FOR THE VARICELLA ACTIVE
SURVEILLANCE PROJECT**

This is to advise you that the Department of Public Health (DPH) is exercising its delegated authority, as approved by your Board on March 7, 2006, authorizing the Director of Health Services, or his designee to accept subsequent Notice of Cooperative Agreement (NCA) from the Centers for Disease Control Prevention (CDC) for Federal Fiscal Years (FFY) 2006-07, 2007-08 and 2008-09.

The NCA for FFY 2006-07 is in the amount of \$308,441 for the budget period of September 30, 2006 through September 29, 2007.

County Counsel and the County Administrative Office (CAO) have reviewed and approved the NCA as to form. All other terms conditions and restrictions remain unchanged.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please let me know.

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Enclosure(s)

c: Chief Administrative Officer
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JOANNE STURGES
ACTING EXECUTIVE OFFICER

February 23, 2006

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

VARICELLA ACTIVE SURVEILLANCE PROJECT
(All District) (3 Votes)

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Authorize and instruct the Acting Director of Health Services, or his designee, to accept the attached Notice of Cooperative Agreement (NCA) No. 5 U01 IP000020-02 (Exhibit I), from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), for the continued provision of the Varicella (chicken pox) Active Surveillance Project, for the period of September 30, 2005 through September 29, 2006, in the amount of \$308,628.
2. Delegate authority to the Acting Director of Health Services, or his designee, to execute amendments to NCA No. 5 U01 IP000020-02, not to exceed 25% of the base award, subject to review and approval by County Counsel, Chief Administrative Office and notification of the Board Offices.
3. Delegate authority to the Acting Director of Health Services, or his designee, to approve subsequent NCAs for the period September 30, 2006 through September 29, 2009, for Federal Fiscal Years (FFY) 2006-07, 2007-08, and 2008-09, substantially similar to the current NCA from CDC, to provide funding for the Varicella Active Surveillance Project, subject to review and approval by County Counsel, Chief Administrative Office and notification of the Board Offices.

4. Delegate authority to the Acting Director of Health Services, or his designee to execute amendments to NCAs for the Varicella Active Surveillance Project for FFYs 2006-07, 2007-08, and 2008-09, which do not exceed 25% of the base award for each project year, subject to review and approval by County Counsel, Chief Administrative Officer and notification of the Board offices.
5. Authorize the Department of Health Services (Department or DHS) to fill one new Full Time Equivalent (FTE) position for a Research Analyst I for the Acute Communicable Disease Control Program, in excess of what is provided for in the Department's staffing ordinance, pursuant to Section 6.06.020 of the County Code, subject to allocation by the Department of Human Resources, 100% offset by CDC Grant funding.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF THE RECOMMENDED ACTIONS:

Approval of these actions will provide financial support for the continuation of the Varicella (chicken pox) Active Surveillance Project for the period of September 30, 2005 through September 29, 2006 and for future FFYs 2006-07, 2007-08, and 2008-09.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

The total cost for the budget term of September 30, 2005 through September 29, 2006 is \$349,569, offset by CDC funding in the amount of \$308,629, with a County in-kind cost of \$40,940.

Funding is included in the Fiscal Year 2005-06 Final Budget and will be requested in future years as appropriate.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS:

Since 1994, the Department has received Notices of Award (NOA) from the CDC for the Varicella Project. The varicella vaccine, Varivax, was licensed on March 17, 1995. The vaccine is utilized to immunize healthy children 12 months of age and older, and adults.

On February 18, 2003, the Board approved NCA No. U66/CCU911165-09 in the amount of \$267,252. The NCA provided financial support for the Varicella Surveillance and Epidemiologic Studies Project for the period of September 30, 2002 through September 29, 2004. A previous surveillance study established baseline data on varicella disease and evaluated vaccinated and unvaccinated cases prior to the licensure of the new 1995 varicella vaccine, Varivax. The epidemiologic study was conducted to guide the development of policy for screening women of childbearing age for varicella susceptibilities and vaccinating susceptible women postpartum.

In October 2004, the Department received an NCA in the amount of \$223,000 for the continuation of the Varicella Project for the period of September 30, 2004 through September 29, 2005.

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On September 30, 2005, the Department received an NCA in the amount of \$308,628 for the continuation of the Varicella Project for the budget period of September 20, 2005 through September 29, 2006. Although in a previous Board action approved on December 14, 2004, delegated authority was approved for the Department to accept future NCAs through FFY 2008-09, the amount of this NCA exceeds the delegated authority amount of 30% of the base award for FFY 2004-05.

Exhibit I as been approved as to form by County Counsel.

CONTRACTING PROCESS:

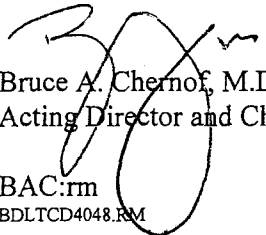
Grants are not advertised on the Los Angeles County Online Web Site as a contract/business opportunity.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS):

Board acceptance of the NCA will ensure the continuation of the Varicella Active Surveillance Project.

When approved, this Department requires four adopted copies of the Board's action.

Respectfully submitted.



Bruce A. Chernof, M.D.
Acting Director and Chief Medical Officer

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Attachments (3)

c: Chief Administrative Officer
County Counsel
Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors

SUMMARY OF GRANT AGREEMENT

1. TYPE OF SERVICE:

Varicella (chickenpox) Active Surveillance Project.

2. AGENCY ADDRESS AND CONTACT PERSON:

Federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
Grants Management Branch, Procurement and Grants Office
2920 Brandywine Road, Room 3000
Atlanta, Georgia 30341-4146
Attention: Grants Management Officer
Telephone: (770) 488- 2738 - Fax: (770) 488-2670

3. TERM:

Project Term: September 30, 2004 through September 29, 2009
Budget Term: September 30, 2005 through September 29, 2006

4. FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

The total cost for the budget term of September 30, 2005 through September 29, 2006 is \$349,569, offset by CDC funding in the amount of \$308,629, with a County in-kind cost of \$40,940.

Funding is included in the Fiscal Year 2005-06 Final Budget and will be requested in future years as appropriate.

5. GEOGRAPHIC AREA TO BE SERVED:

Countywide.

6. ACCOUNTABLE FOR MONITORING AND EVALUATION:

Laurene Mascola, MD, MPH, FAAP, Acute Communicable Disease Control

7. APPROVALS:

Public Health: John F. Schunhoff, Ph.D., Chief of Operations

Contracts and Grants Division: Cara O'Neill, Division Chief

County Counsel (approval as to form) Allison Morse, Deputy County Counsel

**Los Angeles County Chief Administrative Office
Grant Management Statement for Grants Exceeding \$100,000**

Department: Health Services - Acute Communicable Disease Control Program

Grant Project Title and Description

VARICELLA ACTIVE SURVEILLANCE PROJECT

Funding Agency	Program (Fed. Grant #/State Bill or Code #)	Grant Acceptance Deadline
DPHHS - CDC	Grant No. U01 IP000020-02	ASAP

Total Amount of Grant Funding:	\$308,628	County Match Requirements			
Grant Period:	FY 2005-06	Begin Date:	September 30, 2005	End Date:	September 29, 2006
Number of Personnel Hired Under this Grant:	4	Full Time	X	Part Time	

Obligations Imposed on the County When the Grant Expires

Will all personnel hired for this program be informed this is a grant funded program?	Yes	<u>X</u>	No	<u> </u>
Will all personnel hired for this program be placed on temporary ("N") items?	Yes	<u>X</u>	No	<u> </u>
Is the County obligated to continue this program after the grant expires	Yes	<u> </u>	No	<u>X</u>
If the County is not obligated to continue this program after the grant expires, the Department will:				
a). Absorb the program cost without reducing other services	Yes	<u> </u>	No	<u>X</u>
b). Identify other revenue sources	Yes	<u> </u>	No	<u>X</u>
(Describe)				
c). Eliminate or reduce, as appropriate, positions/program costs funded by this grant.	Yes	<u>X</u>	No	<u> </u>

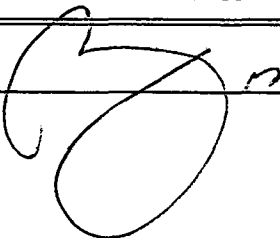
Impact of additional personnel on existing space:

N/A

Other requirements not mentioned above

N/A

Department Head Signature



Date 2.22.06